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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 6, 1998 in the above-identified application. Exhibit AA accompanies this amendment. A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed concurrently together with the appropriate fee. Also being filed concurrently with this Amendment are two Terminal Disclaimers, a Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and a Declaration of Jonathan S. Stamler, M.D. Under 37 CFR § 1.132 accompanied by Exhibits A, B, C, D, E1, E2, E3 and F.